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Re: New Divisional Application in U.S. of U.S. Serial No. 09/811,581  
Applicants: Akira FUKUNAGA, et al.  
Title: COMPOSITE METALLIC ULTRAFINE PARTICLES AND PROCESS FOR...  
Atty's Docket: FUKUNAGA=3A

Sir:

Attached herewith is the above-identified application for Letters Patent including:

- ☐ Application Data Sheet  
☒ Specification (68 pages), claims (2 pages) and abstract (1 page)  
☒ 13 Sheets Drawings (Figures 1-18)  
☒ **FORMAL** ☐ Informal  
☒ Declaration and Power of Attorney (3 pages)  
☐ Newly executed ☒ Copy from prior application no. 09/811,581  
☐ Preliminary Amendment  
☐ Computer-readable Sequence Listing  
☐ Supplemental Preliminary Amendment  
☐ Information Disclosure Statement with SB/08A and \_\_\_ references  
☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. §1.27.  
☐ A check (check no. \_\_\_\_\_) in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to cover:  
☒ Credit Card Payment Form, PTO-2038, authorizing payment in the amount of \$770.00 to cover:  
☒ The filing fee calculated as follows (including any preliminary amendment for entry prior to calculation of the filing fee):

CLAIMS AS FILED				
FOR	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	BASIC FEE \$ 770.00
TOTAL CLAIMS	4 - 20	= 0	x 18	--
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	1 - 3	= 0	x 86	--
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<input type="checkbox"/> Reduction of 1/2 for Small Entity				
TOTAL FILING FEE				\$ 770.00

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- ☐ Any additional fee required by the filing of an enclosed preliminary or supplemental preliminary amendment (for entry after calculation of the filing fee) has been calculated as shown below:

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- ☐ Other Fees: \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Other Attachments: \_\_\_\_\_
- ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (in duplicate)

The following statements are applicable:


- ☐ Applicant hereby requests that this application **not** be published pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §122(a). It is certified on behalf of applicant that the invention disclosed in the application has not been and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication of applications 18 months after filing.
- ☒ The benefit under 35 USC §119 is claimed of the filing date of:  
Application No. 2000-080445 in Japan on March 22, 2000. A certified copy of said priority document was filed in progenitor case 09/811,581 on April 18, 2001.  
Application No. 2000-174331 in Japan on June 9, 2000. A certified copy of said priority document was filed in progenitor case 09/811,581 on April 18, 2001.  
Application No. 2000-305209 in Japan on October 4, 2000. A certified copy of said priority document was filed in progenitor case 09/811,581 on April 18, 2001.
- ☐ The present application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Appln. No. 60/\_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_.
- ☒ The present application is a Division of prior Application No. 09/811,581, filed March 20, 2001.
- ☐ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:  
☐ --This is a continuation/division/continuation-in-part of copending parent application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_.--  
☐ --The present application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Appln. No. 60/\_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_.--  
☐ --The present application is the national stage under 35 U.S.C. §371 of international application \_\_\_\_\_ which designated the United States[, which international application was published under PCT Article 21(2) in English].--
- ☐ Incorporation By Reference. The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied herewith, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
- ☐ Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.63(d)(2), please delete as inventor(s) the name(s) of \_\_\_\_\_, who is/are not inventor(s) in the present divisional application.

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- [X] The application is assigned to: EBARA CORPORATION \_\_\_\_\_,  
whose address is 11-1, HANEDA ASAHI-CHO, OHTA-KU, TOKYO, JAPAN \_\_\_\_\_.
- [X] Certain documents were previously cited or submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office in the following prior application 09/811,581, which is relied upon under 35 USC §120. Applicants identify these documents by attaching hereto a form PTO/SB/08A listing these documents, and request that they be considered and made of record in accordance with 37 CFR §1.98(d). Per Section 1.98(d), copies of these documents need not be filed in this application.
- [X] As in the parent application 09/811,581, please associate the present application with **Customer No. 001444** and recognize only the practitioners associated therewith.
- [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 02-4035:
- [X] Any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR §1.16.
- [X] Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR §1.17.
- [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees, based on any paper filed during the pendency of this application or any CPA thereof, to effect any amendment, petition, or other action requested in said paper or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 02-4035:
- [X] Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR §1.17.
- [ ] The issue fee set in 37 CFR §1.18 at or before mailing the Notice of Allowance, pursuant to 37 CFR §1.311(b).
- [X] Any filing fees under 37 CFR §1.16 for presentation of extra claims.
- [X] If a paper is untimely filed in this or any CPA thereof by Applicant(s), the Commissioner is hereby petitioned under 37 CFR. §1.136(a) for the minimum extension of time required to make said paper timely. In the event a petition for extension of time is made under the provisions of this paragraph, the Commissioner is hereby requested to charge any fee required under 37 CFR §1.17 to Deposit Account 02-4035.
- [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment of fees accompanying this paper to Deposit Account No. 02-4035.

Respectfully submitted,

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